**REMARKS** 

In the Office Action dated August 18, 2006, a restriction requirement was

imposed. In particular, the Office Action states that claims 1-10 (Group I), claims 11-14 (Group

II), claims 15-22 (Group III), and claim 23 (Group IV), all relate to independent and distinct

inventions.

Applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1-10 for further prosecution in this

application. Therefore, Applicant has canceled claims 11-23 (Groups II, III, and IV) without

prejudice or disclaimer and reserves the right to file a continuation or divisional application

directed to the subject matter of the non-elected claims prior to the issuance of a patent on those

claims elected for further prosecution at this time.

The claims now pending in the application, namely claims 1-10 are in condition

for allowance and such allowance is respectfully requested. If any issues remain that would

prevent issuance of this application, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned by

telephone prior to issuing a subsequent action. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge

any additional amount required (or to credit any overpayment) to Deposit Account No. 19-2112.

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